Philippine Nurses Association of America, Colorado Chapter (PNACO)

Student Nurse Scholarship Process and Application

PNACO Mission Statement

The association shall:

- Promote activities that will unify Filipino-American Nurses in Colorado.
- Collaborate with other professional organizations and agencies in Colorado to develop and implement the nursing practice, education, and research programs.
- Participate actively in Nursing and Health care activities in the community.
- Provide scholarships and foster continuing education of its members.
- Be Involved in charitable endeavors in the community.

Scholarship Program Description

The PNACO Student Nurse Scholarship Program aims to foster the education of future nurses who will serve as change agents in the health and well-being of the American Community in Colorado and beyond. It is a non-discriminatory, educational scholarship program. It helps provide financial support (up to $1,000) to adult students in a variety of transitional situations and to a variety of accredited nursing programs. The goal of the PNACO student nurse Program is to enable recipients to gain confidence while in the student role, support their self-esteem, and have a positive impact on the recipient's student life, personal life, family, community, and future employment.

The PNACO student nurse scholarship program is now accepting applications. The scholarship committee will make awards based on merit, student interest, and financial need. **Please submit your application electronically to** **leliwp@gmail.com** and **drcedar@hotmail.com** **by April 28, 2024.** The scholarship committee will review applications. Awardee(s) must be present to receive the award announced at the PNACO health challenge awarding on **May 11, 2024, from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church 6190 E. Quincy Ave. Englewood, CO 80111.**

General requirements

- ☐ In good academic standing in a Colorado/Denver Metro accredited school of nursing
- ☐ Intent to practice in the Colorado/Denver Metro area for at least two years following graduation.

Application Selection criteria

- ☐ Candidate(s) submit a complete application packet by the application deadline (see checklist below)
- ☐ Application is received by the scholarship due date.

Candidate Eligibility requirement

- ☐ Can show original proof of acceptance to an accredited school of nursing

Application submission requirements/checklist

- ☐ _____Two formal typed, signed, one-page recommendations. One from a current employer, past teacher, or counselor, and (optional) one from a current PNACO member who is not a relative that includes:
  - ☐ Statement of how well, how long, and in what capacity the recommender knows the applicant
  - ☐ Succinct statement as to why the applicant is worthy of scholarship funds in view of the chapter mission and the applicant's potential to contribute to the nursing profession
  - ☐ The applicant's goals and objectives, and potential for success in nursing
- ☐ _____ Proof of acceptance to an accredited educational program or current enrollment
- ☐ _____ One-page typewritten essay (see guidelines below)

Student Information and Guidelines for Essay

Today's Date:

Name:

Address:

Birthday:

Home phone:

Work history as it relates to your interests and vision for your nursing career: (optional)

Current Education:

Current school attending:

Guidelines for Essay

Typed, single-spaced, 1-page essay in response to the following writing prompts.

What drew you to nursing as a career option?
What is your personal vision for your nursing career?
What are 1-2 elements that distinguish you from other applicants for this scholarship?